Murders in Delhi

497. SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of murders in Delhi during the year 1996 and the number of those remained unsolved;

(b) the comparative figures for 1995 and 1994; and

(c) the reasons for numerous murder cases remaining unsolved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) During the 1996, 518 cases of murder were reported in Delhi, out of which in 20 cases it was subsequently found that death had occurred for reasons other than murder. Of the remaining 498 cases, 402 were solved and 96 remained unsolved.

(b) The requisite information is given as under:

Year	Cases solved	Cases unsolved
1995	396	115
1994	367	114

(c) The reasons because of which some murder cases could not be solved include non-identification of the deceased, lack of clear motive for murder and in some cases the matter being at investigation stage.

Blasts in Delhi

498. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number and details of blasts which rocked the Capital during the last three years;

(b) whether all of the cases were resolved, if not, the details of those remaining unresolved, and the culprits brought to book; and

(c) the details of the terrorist outfits found operating in the around the Capital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) The requisite information is as under:

Year	Number of incidents	Persons arrested.	Present position of the case		
			Pending investigation	Pending trial	Untraced
1994	4	2	—	2	2
1995	8	9	—	5	3
1996	3	11	1	2	—
1997 (upto 31.1.97)	2	—	2	—	—

The details of the Untraced cases are given in the attached statement I (*See* below)

(c) The names of the terrorist outfits found operating in and around the capital are given in the attached statement II (*See* below).

Statement-I

Sr. No.	Case FIR No. u/s & Name of Police Station	Details of the case	Property demaged	Persons		
				Killed	Injured	Arrested
1.	136 dated 18.5.94 under section 3/4 Explosives Substances Act, Police Station Chanakyapuri.	On 18.5.94, two young persons riding on a motorcycle come from Ashoka Hotel side at about 10.30 P.M. and threw one crude bomb on the people waiting for VISA at Netaji marg opposite Pak High Commission.	—	—	—	—
2.	324 dated 24.8.94 u/s 3/4 Exp. Subs. Act.	On 24.8.94 at about 3.10 PM, an explosion took place in the front yard of house of Shri Vijay Kumar Jain r/o B-6/2, Safadarjung Enclave.	Motorcycle and flower pot were damaged.	—	—	—
3.	3 dated 3.1.95 u/s 3/4 Exp. Subs. Act, 436 IPC, P.S. Tilak Marg.	On 3.1.95, at 11.20 AM while Sh. Devi Dass r/o B-10, Sager Apartment 6 Tilak marg, New Delhi got a parcel in a wooden box from Mumbai. While it was opening the parcel a blast took place. As a result one Sanjay who was sitting near got his hair burnt and the room was filled with smoke. There were two bombs in the said wooden box. One had blasted and the other one was found intact alongwith 8 battery cells.	—	—	—	—
4.	293 dated 6.7.95 u/s 429 IPC 3/4 Exp. Subs. Act P.S. Okhla.	On 6.7.95, an information about an explosion of a bomb in Gupta colony was received. On the spot one goat was found lying on the heap of san and its lower jaw seemed to be blown out because of explosion. In this case one object was seized and defused by the BDS.	One goat was killed in the blast.	—	—	—
5.	36 dated 18.1.95 u/s 307 IPC 3/4 Exp. Subs. Act, 3/4 TADA P.S. Saraswati Vihar.	At about 1.30 P.M., one girl Hira Bai d/o Kumat aged 5/6 years alongwith her sister namely Parmi brought a watch like object found lying in the DDA park and showed it to Anandi. He took the said object, checked it and he found a sock, a red colour battery and 3 coins of Rupee one kept in a container. While he was trying to disconnect the wire, it exploded.	—	—	8	—

Statement-II

LIST OF ORGANISATIONS :

1. Ahle-Hadees
2. Islami Indqulabi Mahaz
3. H.U.M.
4. Hizbullah
5. Muslim Fundamentalists
6. Al-Jehad
7. Muslim Mujahideen
8. J.K.I.F.
9. Harkst-Ul-Ansar
10. I.S.Y.F.
11. Hizbul Muzahideen
12. Harkat-Ul-Ansar
13. Al. Barg
14. Tahrik-Ul-Muzahideen
15. B.K.I.
16. Al-Umar Mujahideen
17. Muslim Janbaz Force
18. Ikhwan-Ul-Musalmeen
19. Hizbul Momineen
20. J.K. Islamic Front
21. Al-Umar Commardo
22. K.C.F. (Panjwar)
23. Deshmesh Reginment.

Official Secrets Act, 1923

499. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:
SHRI PARAG CHALIHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether access to information is governed by the Official Secrets Act, 1923; and

(b) if so, by when Government propose to amend the Act and enact laws which give citizens a general right to get access to Government documents with stipulated exceptions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) Access to Official information is subject to the provisions of the Official Secrets Act, 1993.

(b) A working group has been set up by the Governement to examine the possibility of introducing a legislation on Right to Information at the levels of Central and State Government as well as consideration of amendment to various relevant legislations including the Official Secrets Act. Further action in this regard is contingent upon the receipt of the above mentioned working Groups' Report which is expected shortly.

Timber Smuggling by CRPF Personnel in Jammu and Kashmir

500. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether reports have been received about smuggling of timber by some personnel of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) deployed in Jammu and Kashmir by using official vehicles;

(b) whether the Forest Department of the State has sought permission to check the vehicles of CRPF and the army convoys passing through the check posts;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures proposed to stop smuggling by Government personnel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (d) CRPF have reported two incidents where their vehicles carrying timber were intercepted by the Forest Department officials. These vehicles were released on production of documents. The involvement of CRPF officers in transporting timber in Government vehicles is being inquired into separately.

Although no specific permission is reported to have been sought for checking of CRPF vehicles, the Forest Department Officials are already checking vehicles of all security Forces including CRPF. The Government have no objection to such checking. CRPF has also set up a check post at Udhampur to keep a check on such activities.